

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES  
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CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

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PCT/GB2004/002354INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE  
03 June 2004 [03.06.2004]PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED  
10 June 2003 [10.06.2003]TITLE OF INVENTION  
AUTOMATIC WASHING MACHINE DETERGENT DISPENSING DEVICEAPPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US  
Ralf WIEDEMANN, Judith PREUSCHEN, Karl-Heinz MOHRHARD

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:


1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☒ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
4. ☒ The US has been elected (Article 31).
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a. ☐ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☒ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☐ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
  - a. ☐ is attached hereto.
  - b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
7. ☐ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
  - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☒ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

## Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:

11. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☒ A preliminary amendment.
14. ☒ An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
15. ☐ A substitute specification.
16. ☐ A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
17. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825.
18. ☒ A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
19. ☐ A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
20. ☒ Other items or information: ISR, IPER, Written Opinion, Response to Written Opinion, Unexecuted Declaration, Transmittal of Formal Drawings, Express Mail Certificate, Return Receipt Postcard

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2. Application Data Sheet
3. Preliminary Amendment
4. Specification
5. Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO/SB/08a/b and five (5) references
6. Copy of application as published - WO 2004/109006 A1
7. Copy of International Search Report dated September 3, 2004
8. Copy of International Preliminary Examination Report dated September 5, 2005
9. Copy of Written Opinion of the International Searching Authority
10. Copy of response to Written Opinion dated November 3, 2004
11. Copy of response to Written Opinion dated March 24, 2005
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TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

Sir:

Submitted herewith for entry and approval are two (2) sheets of formal drawings (Fig. 1 - Fig. 3) in the above-referenced application. Each sheet of drawing indicates the identifying indicia suggested in 37 CFR § 1.84(c).

Respectfully submitted,  
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Attachments: - Formal Drawings (2 sheets)

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